

By Mr. COTTON:

S. 3521. A bill to provide assistance through tax rebates, certain Federal assistance programs, and business loans, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

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S. 3522. A bill to extend and expand the temporary assistance for needy families (TANF) program and related programs to respond to the COVID-19 public health emergency, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

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S. 3523. A bill to provide for the temporary funding of the expansion of eligibility of unemployment compensation to respond to the COVID-19 public health emergency, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

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S. 3524. A bill to modify terms related to the economic injury disaster loan program of the Small Business Administration for applicants affected by COVID-19, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

By Mrs. SHAHEEN:

S. 3525. A bill to allow a tax credit for certain coronavirus-related charitable contributions for taxable year 2020; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. REED:

S. 3526. A bill to restrict the authority of the Secretary of the Treasury to purchase or guarantee assets in response to the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) outbreak; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MARKEY (for himself, Mr. DURBIN, and Mr. DAINES):

S. 3527. A bill to waive required minimum distribution rules for retirement plans in 2020; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MARKEY:

S. 3528. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to suspend the inclusion in gross income of Social Security benefits; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself, Mr. WYDEN, Ms. HIRONO, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. COONS, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Mr. BOOKER, Ms. SMITH, Ms. HARRIS, Mr. JONES, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. PETERS, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. MURPHY, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. WARNER, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. HEINRICH, Mr. UDALL, Ms. WARREN, Ms. DUCKWORTH, and Ms. CANTWELL):

S. 3529. A bill to require States to establish contingency plans for the conduct of elections for Federal office in response to national disasters and emergencies, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

By Mr. MARKEY:

S. 3530. A bill to amend the National Security Act of 1947 to require the President to designate an employee of the National Security Council to be responsible for pandemic prevention and response, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself and Ms. CORTEZ MASTO):

S. 3531. A bill to amend the Small Business Act to ensure small businesses affected by the onset of communicable diseases are eligible for disaster relief; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

By Mrs. CAPITO (for herself and Mrs. SHAHEEN):

S. 3532. A bill to amend titles XVIII and XIX of the Social Security Act to provide coverage of prescription digital therapeutics for the treatment of mental health and substance use disorders under the Medicare and Medicaid programs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CRAMER:

S. 3533. A bill to authorize and establish minimum standards for electronic and remote notarizations that occur in or affect interstate commerce, to require any Federal court located in a State to recognize notarizations performed by a notary public commissioned by another State when the notarization occurs in or affects interstate commerce, and to require any State to recognize notarizations performed by a notary public commissioned by another State when the notarization occurs in or affects interstate commerce or when the notarization was performed under or relates to a public act, record, or judicial proceeding of the State in which the notary public was commissioned; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following concurrent resolutions and Senate resolutions were read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. BROWN (for himself and Mr. SCOTT of South Carolina):

S. Res. 546. A resolution recognizing the week of March 15 through March 21, 2020, as "National Poison Prevention Week" and encouraging communities across the United States to raise awareness of the dangers of poisoning and promote poisoning prevention; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. MARKEY (for himself, Mr. JONES, Ms. WARREN, Mr. BROWN, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. BOOKER, Mr. BENNET, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. PETERS, Mr. CARPER, and Ms. SMITH):

S. Res. 547. A resolution encouraging the President to use authorities provided by the Defense Production Act of 1950 to scale up the national response to the coronavirus crisis; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 3056

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from New York (Mrs. GILLIBRAND) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3056, a bill to designate as wilderness certain Federal portions of the red rock canyons of the Colorado Plateau and the Great Basin Deserts in the State of Utah for the benefit of present and future generations of people in the United States.

S. 3190

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Ohio (Mr. BROWN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3190, a bill to authorize dedicated domestic terrorism offices within the Department of Homeland Security, the Department of Justice, and the Federal Bureau of Investigation to analyze and monitor domestic terrorist activity and require the Federal Government to take steps to prevent domestic terrorism.

S. 3478

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Alaska (Mr. SULLIVAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3478, a bill to require a report to as-

sess, evaluate, and address the dependence of the United States on critical drugs and devices sourced or manufactured outside of the United States.

S. 3502

At the request of Mr. CRAMER, the name of the Senator from South Carolina (Mr. SCOTT) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3502, a bill to delay the implementation date of the current expected credit losses methodology for estimating allowances for credit losses, and for other purposes.

SUBMITTED RESOLUTIONS

SENATE RESOLUTION 546—RECOGNIZING THE WEEK OF MARCH 15 THROUGH MARCH 21, 2020, AS "NATIONAL POISON PREVENTION WEEK" AND ENCOURAGING COMMUNITIES ACROSS THE UNITED STATES TO RAISE AWARENESS OF THE DANGERS OF POISONING AND PROMOTE POISONING PREVENTION

Mr. BROWN (for himself and Mr. SCOTT of South Carolina) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:

S. RES. 546

Whereas the designation of National Poison Prevention Week was first authorized by Congress and President Kennedy in 1961 in Public Law 87-319 (75 Stat. 681);

Whereas National Poison Prevention Week occurs during the third full week of March each year;

Whereas the American Association of Poison Control Centers (referred to in this preamble as the "AAPCC") works with the 55 poison control centers in the United States—

(1) to track more than 1,000 commonly used household and workplace products; and

(2) to track poisonings and the sources of those poisonings;

Whereas 2,000,000 people call the poison help line annually to reach a poison control center;

Whereas, as reported to the AAPCC, more than 90 percent of poison exposures reported to local poison control centers occur in the home;

Whereas local poison control centers save the people of the United States \$1,800,000,000 in medical costs per year;

Whereas the AAPCC and poison control centers partner with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the Food and Drug Administration, and State and local health departments to monitor occurrences of environmental, biological, and emerging threats in communities across the United States, including food poisoning, botulism, and vaping-associated lung injury;

Whereas, in the United States—

(1) more than 300 children 19 years of age and younger are treated in emergency departments for poisoning every day; and

(2) 980 children 19 years of age and younger die as a result of being poisoned each year;

Whereas children younger than 6 years of age constitute nearly 1/2 of all poison exposures each year;

Whereas, from 2010 to 2018, data from poison control centers revealed a significant increase of 9.9 percent in the number of intentional suicide patients who were adolescents 10 to 19 years of age, and that increase disproportionately occurred among females;

Whereas, in 2018—

(1) more than 114,000 children 19 years of age and younger were treated in an emergency room due to unintended pediatric poisoning; and

(2) more than 90 percent of those incidents occurred in the home, most often with blood pressure medications, acetaminophen, laundry packets, bleach, or sedatives or anti-anxiety medication;

Whereas 70,237 cases of death due to drug overdose were reported in the United States in 2017, and the majority of those cases, approximately 68 percent, involved an opioid;

Whereas the most common medications that adults call the poison help line about are analgesics, antipsychotics, antidepressants, and cardiovascular medications;

Whereas pain medications—

(1) lead the list of the most common substances implicated in adult poison exposures; and

(2) are the single most frequent cause of pediatric fatalities reported to the AAPCC;

Whereas poison control centers issue guidance and provide support to individuals, including individuals who experience medication and dosing errors;

Whereas more than 60 percent of therapeutic errors involve individuals 20 years of age or older, with more than ½ of those involving patients older than 50 years of age, and common errors include drug interactions, incorrect dosing route, incorrect timing of doses, and double doses;

Whereas normal, curious children younger than 6 years of age—

(1) are in stages of growth and development in which they are constantly exploring and investigating the world around them; and

(2) are often unable to read or recognize warning labels;

Whereas the AAPCC—

(1) engages in community outreach by educating the public on poison safety and poisoning prevention; and

(2) provides educational resources, materials, and guidelines to educate the public on poisoning prevention;

Whereas individuals can reach a poison control center from anywhere in the United States by calling the poison help line at 1-800-222-1222;

Whereas, despite regulations of the Consumer Product Safety Commission requiring that a child-resistant package be designed or constructed to be significantly difficult for children under 5 years of age to open, or obtain a harmful amount of the contents, within a reasonable time, children can still get into child-resistant packages; and

Whereas, each year during National Poison Prevention Week, the Federal Government assesses the progress made by the Federal Government in saving lives and reaffirms the national commitment of the Federal Government to preventing injuries and deaths from poisoning; Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) recognizes the week of March 15 through March 21, 2020, as “National Poison Prevention Week”;

(2) expresses gratitude for the people who operate or support poison control centers in their local communities;

(3) supports efforts and resources to provide poison prevention guidance or emergency assistance in response to poisonings; and

(4) encourages—

(A) the people of the United States to educate their communities and families about poison safety and poisoning prevention; and

(B) health care providers to practice and promote poison safety and poisoning prevention.

SENATE RESOLUTION 547—ENCOURAGING THE PRESIDENT TO USE AUTHORITIES PROVIDED BY THE DEFENSE PRODUCTION ACT OF 1950 TO SCALE UP THE NATIONAL RESPONSE TO THE CORONAVIRUS CRISIS

Mr. MARKEY (for himself, Mr. JONES, Ms. WARREN, Mr. BROWN, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. BOOKER, Mr. BENNET, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. PETERS, Mr. CARPER, and Ms. SMITH) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:

S. RES. 547

Whereas more than 3,800 people in the United States have already tested positive for the novel coronavirus across 49 States, the District of Columbia, and 3 territories, with experts believing the number is already much higher;

Whereas the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention have projected that between 160,000,000 and 214,000,000 people could be infected by the novel coronavirus in the United States over the course of the pandemic;

Whereas the United States health care sector is facing severe shortages of critical supplies for coronavirus testing and treatment, including personal protective equipment for staff and infected patients, N95 respirators, sanitizing materials, ventilators, and test kit supplies;

Whereas the Strategic National Stockpile contains only a fraction of the supplies that the Department of Health and Human Services estimates will be necessary to respond to the coronavirus crisis, with the stockpile currently holding less than 0.3 percent of the amount of respirators estimated to be necessary;

Whereas the President has the existing authority under the Defense Production Act of 1950 (50 U.S.C. 4501 et seq.) to take immediate action to mobilize United States industry for emergency preparedness activities conducted pursuant to title VI of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5195 et seq.), which has been previously used to respond to public health hazards; and

Whereas the President issued a national emergency declaration relating to the novel coronavirus under section 501(b) of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5191(b)) on March 13, 2020; Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) calls on the President to use existing authorities under the Defense Production Act of 1950 (50 U.S.C. 4501 et seq.) to massively and quickly ramp up production in the United States of medical supplies, including personal protective equipment, needed to respond to the ongoing public health emergency driven by the spread of the novel coronavirus;

(2) urges the President to prioritize the use of those authorities to produce and secure additional personal protective equipment, test kit supplies, respirators, ventilators, and sanitizing materials for use within the health care sector in the United States;

(3) supports the use of authorities under title I of the Defense Production Act of 1950 (50 U.S.C. 4511 et seq.) to allocate and control the distribution of medical materials needed for testing and treating the novel coronavirus, including by directing suppliers to prioritize and accept government contracts to restock the Strategic National Stockpile where necessary;

(4) supports the use of authorities under title III of the Defense Production Act of 1950 (50 U.S.C. 4531 et seq.) to provide financial incentives to manufacturers and suppliers of critical medical equipment, including loans, loan guarantees, direct purchases, and purchase commitments; and

(5) supports the use of authorities under title VII of the Defense Production Act of 1950 (50 U.S.C. 4551 et seq.) to establish voluntary agreements between the Federal Government and private industry that would allow for the temporary coordination of production of necessary and scarce medical supplies.

AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED AND PROPOSED

SA 1556. Mr. PAUL proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 6201, making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2020, and for other purposes.

SA 1557. Mr. KENNEDY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 6201, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1558. Mr. JOHNSON (for himself, Mr. TOOMEY, Mr. BRAUN, Mr. SCOTT of Florida, Mr. LEE, Mrs. BLACKBURN, Mr. COTTON, Mr. CRUZ, Mrs. LOEFFLER, Mr. PERDUE, Mr. SASSE, and Mr. BARRASSO) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 6201, supra.

SA 1559. Mrs. MURRAY (for herself, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, and Ms. HARRIS) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 6201, supra.

SA 1560. Mr. MORAN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 6201, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

TEXT OF AMENDMENTS

SA 1556. Mr. PAUL proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 6201, making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2020, and for other purposes; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. ____ . SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER REQUIREMENT FOR CHILD TAX CREDIT.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Paragraph (1) of section 24(e) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended to read as follows:

“(1) SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER REQUIRED.—No credit shall be allowed under this section to a taxpayer with respect to any qualifying child unless the taxpayer includes the social security number of such child on the return of tax for the taxable year. For purposes of the preceding sentence, the term ‘social security number’ means a social security number issued to an individual by the Social Security Administration, but only if the social security number is issued—

“(A) to a citizen of the United States or pursuant to subclause (I) (or that portion of subclause (III) that relates to subclause (I)) of section 205(c)(2)(B)(i) of the Social Security Act, and

“(B) before the due date for such return.”.

(b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

(1) Subsection (h) of section 24 of such Code is amended—

(A) by striking “paragraph (7)” in paragraph (4)(C) and inserting “subsection (e)(1)”,

(B) by striking paragraph (7), and

(C) by striking “(2) through (7)” in paragraph (1) and inserting “(2) through (6)”.

(2) Section 6213(g)(2)(I) of such Code is amended by striking “TIN” and inserting “social security number”.